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1. learned from a technical sergeant of the KVP that the unit stationed in Burg had been fully equipped with T-34 tanks. The tanks allegedly were detained in Kirchmoeser and went to Burg by road. The previous commanding officer allegedly was relieved by Colonel Amsel. The sergeant was not able to furnish any information on a large-scale discharge of KVP personnel. ¹
2. At about 10:15 a.m. on 5 July, a shipment of the KVP, consisting of 9 boxcars occupied by troops and 22 flatcars with sideracks, carrying trucks, passed through Stendal, proceeding toward Magdeburg.
3. On 9 July, the Fusilier Kaserne, Rostock, was occupied by 250 to 300 KVPs who wore crimson service color. ²

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1. Comment. The authorized equipment with tanks of the tank regiment of the TV 5000 in Burg is unknown. It is possible, that the regiment received tanks from Kirchmoeser. KVP units in Oranienburg and Potsdam also received Soviet tanks from Kirchmoeser. See . Deserters stated that Captain Kalkhofe (fnu) was commanding officer of the tank regiment in Burg.

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2. Comment. The present whereabouts of the bulk of the KVP unit from Rostock are still undetermined. See

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1. The locks in Niegripp and Brandenburg on the Elbe-Havel Canal were closed for repair work during the period from 15 June to 15 July 1953. The Elbe-Havel Canal, however, remained navigable by small craft during that period, as passage was possible through the old locks in Niegripp and Brandenburg, which were still serviceable.
2. The Paratz-Niederneusendorf Canal, which had been dammed up by a dike at the Goettinsee (Lake), as the bridges spanning it had not yet been lifted and the pump works were still incapable of maintaining the water level required, was scheduled to be flooded between 1 and 10 July 1953, after the operations to lift the bridges to the necessary height above the water level and the construction of the new pump stations required were completed.

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